

Robert M. Gates, Secretary; and GEN Peter Pace, USMC, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

#### **BRIEFING IRAN CRISIS—NEXT STEPS**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Held a briefing on the Next Steps in the Iran Crisis. The Committee was briefed by Thomas R. Pickering, former Under Secretary, Political Affairs, Department of State; and R. James Woolsey, Jr., former Director, CIA.

#### **IRAQ BRIEFING**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Held a briefing on Iraq. The Committee was briefed by Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State.

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#### **NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D4–8)

H.R. 486, to provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base. Signed on January 11, 2007. (Public Law 109–470)

H.R. 4588, to reauthorize grants for and require applied water supply research regarding the water re-

sources research and technology institutes established under the Water Resources Research Act of 1984. Signed on January 11, 2007. (Public Law 109–471)

H.R. 6060, to authorize certain activities by the Department of State. Signed on January 11, 2007. (Public Law 109–472)

H.R. 6345, to make a conforming amendment to the Federal Deposit Insurance Act with respect to examinations of certain insured depository institutions. Signed on January 11, 2007. (Public Law 109–473)

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2007**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### **Senate**

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the current situation in Iraq; there is a possibility of a closed session in S–407 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

##### **House**

*Committee on Rules,* to meet for organizational purposes, 10:30 a.m., H–313 Capitol.